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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Talk with [] []
Senate Foreign Relations Committee Staff

1. On Tuesday, 25 May, I lunched with [] at his invitation, to discuss the state of Europe in general and Italy in particular. (I have known [] for more than 20 years, both of us having been on the old ONE staff in the 1950s.) He is going to Europe, in company with several members of Congress, to attend the NATO Parliamentarian's annual meeting.

2. The discussion touched on no matters of particular sensitivity to the Agency, nor indeed on any classified matters at all. Rather, it was a comparing of views on where Italy is, and is going, with reference to the 20 June elections, their possible outcomes, and attendant repercussions. This required no disclosures of sensitive information.

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National Intelligence Officer
for Western Europe

cc: [] OLC ✓

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1. [REDACTED] LIAISON Took a call from Sally Shelton, in the office of Senator Lloyd Bentsen (D., Tex.). She said that Leigh Bruce, on the staff, had called a couple of weeks ago requesting a copy of the Agency publication entitled "Potential Implications of Trends in World Population, Food Production, and Climate," and they had not received it yet. I told her I would put a copy in the mail for her right away.

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2. [REDACTED] LIAISON Took a call from Rose Beck, on the House Armed Services Subcommittee on Investigations. She was inquiring about a [REDACTED] that she was trying to get in touch with and thought he worked for the Agency. She had his name in a log as having edited transcripts of the My Lai incident in May 1974. After checking through Journal items for that period, I told her that we did not have any record of this person, and no one who had worked on that project had ever heard of him. She said she would have Mr. Lally, also of the Subcommittee staff, call [REDACTED]

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3. [REDACTED] LIAISON Sent a copy of the unclassified study entitled "Estimated Soviet Defense Spending in Rubles, 1970-1975" to Thomas A. Dine, Senate Budget Committee, per his request.

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4. [REDACTED] LIAISON Took a call from Donald J. Alderson, Congressional Research Service at the Library of Congress, who requested a copy of the Basic Intelligence Factbook. He also said he would like to be put on the list to receive the next edition that is published. A copy was forwarded to him.

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5. [REDACTED] LIAISON Accompanied Chuck Meissner, Senate Foreign Relations Committee staff, and John Childers, Minority Counsel, Senate Government Operations Committee, to a discussion with an Intelligence Process Course at Headquarters on Congress as a consumer of intelligence. I later accompanied the same group to a meeting in the Capitol with Representative John Rhodes (R., Ariz.), Minority Leader.

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4. [] LIAISON I called Bill Ashworth, Senate Foreign Relations Committee staff, to tell him that [] was preparing a memo for Ashworth's background concerning the role of the Agency in the design phase of the [] and that I would be bringing it up to him next Monday or Tuesday.

5. [] LIAISON In response to a letter from Senator Bob Packwood (R., Ore.) on behalf of a constituent concerning allegations that the Agency used Federal funds to supply girls for world leaders, I dropped by Senator Packwood's office and spoke with Bob Witeck and explained that we do not respond to such allegations and left with him a suggested reply for the Senator's use.

6. [] LIAISON I dropped by the office of Ed Fox, on the staff of the Subcommittee on Future Foreign Policy Research and Development, House International Relations Committee, and left with him a blind memo concerning certain aspects of Soviet and ChiCom activities in Africa which had been prepared by [] OCI.

7. [] LIAISON In response to a telephone call to [] I spoke with Cliff Hackett, House International Relations Committee staff, concerning an Agency publication on the Communist Party [] He said that the document had been referred to during conversations held in the embassy [] during a trip of twelve Congressmen over the Easter recess and that Representative Stephen J. Solarz (R., N. Y.), one of the members, had asked to see the document. I told him that the report was very sensitive but that on Tuesday, May 25, we would begin to deliver the document by courier to Jack Brady, on the Committee staff, in the morning of each day and return it that evening until Representative Solarz had had a chance to see it. [] OCI, and Jack Brady have been advised. Hackett then stated that he felt obligated to tell Representative Leo J. Ryan (D., Calif.), who was also on the trip and heard the reference, that the document was available and further, that he (Hackett) wanted to read it. I told Hackett I would get back to him on these latter two matters.

8. [] FBIS Delivered to the offices of Senators Charles H. Percy (R., Ill.), James Abourezk (D., S. Dak.), Hugh Scott (R., Pa.), Frank Church (D., Idaho), Barry Goldwater (R., Ariz.), Mike Mansfield (D., Mont.), Dewey F. Bartlett (R., Okla.), and Representative Carl Albert (D., Okla.) FBIS items in which their names were mentioned.

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17. (Internal Use Only - WPB) LEGISLATION Warner Windus, from the Department of Defense, called to discuss the Agency's position on S. 1210, a bill by Senator Edward Kennedy (D., Mass.) amending the Freedom of Information Act. I told him that we had not submitted a formal report on the bill, but we had been active in working with appropriate committee staffers.

18. (Unclassified - LLM) LIAISON [redacted] NIO/WE, called and said that he was going to have lunch with [redacted] Senate Foreign Relations Committee staff, who would be traveling to Europe and wanted to talk about Italy. [redacted] and [redacted] are old friends.) I said I did not see any problem in this as long as [redacted] kept the conversation in the normal channels.

19. (Unclassified - LLM) LIAISON Called Terry Berger, House Republican Study Committee staff, concerning the breakfast the Director is hosting on Wednesday and volunteered to provide transportation for the members. Ms. Berger said that the members would be driving out and requested maps. [redacted] will deliver the maps this afternoon.

20. (Unclassified - LLM) LIAISON [redacted] DIA, called and we discussed briefly our appearance before the Subcommittee on Priorities and Economy in Government, Joint Economic Committee, today. DIA is scheduled to appear before the Subcommittee sometime during the week of 17 June.

21. (Internal Use Only - LLM) LIAISON Charles Snodgrass, House Appropriations Committee staff, called and requested a signed legal opinion for possible use by Chairman George Mahon (D., Texas) during the consideration of the Defense Appropriations bill explaining

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20. (Internal Use Only - LLM) LIAISON Prior to the briefing of the Intelligence Operations Subcommittee, Senate Appropriations Committee, briefing today, Jim Calloway, of the Committee staff, made references to the open budget issue which we briefly discussed, and I provided him a package setting forth the President's position, that of the Director, and some of the constitutional and legal arguments in support of the present procedure.

Subsequent to the session, Guy McConnell, also of the Committee staff, asked for an update on the status of the Agency's Contingency Reserve and I provided him such an update prepared by [] O/COMPT, in the early afternoon.

21. (Unclassified - LLM) LIAISON Rob Roy Ratliff, NSC staff, called and we discussed a sensitive matter.

22. (Internal Use Only - LLM) LIAISON Bill Broydrick, in the office of Representative Les Aspin (D., Wis.), called saying the Congressman is interested in getting information about levels of the Soviet navy. I made no comment that we would be responsive to the request but suggested that Broydrick put his request in writing. He was completely unaware of how unhappy we were with the treatment in a press release of information previously provided the Congressman.

23. (Internal Use Only - LLM) LIAISON George Kroloff, Senate Foreign Relations Committee staff, called requesting some assistance in determining whether it is illegal under Algerian law to communicate via computers and the rationale behind it indicating that it may be that the Algerians do not have the capability to monitor computer communication. He also said he was writing up a report to set the stage for a hearing of the Subcommittee on Foreign Assistance & Economic Policy based upon the thesis that information interchange, particularly of the economic variety will loom as a bigger factor in foreign policy than it has in the past and in response to his query, I said that once he has finished his draft to send it to me and we would see if we could bounce it off of some of our analysts.